



PATENT 0528-1167

## IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Laurence HERMITTE et al.

Application No. 10/565,442

Filed January 20, 2006

COMPLEX MATRIX FOR BIOMEDICAL USE

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 12, 2006

Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, the accompanying documents, copies of which are attached to this statement, are made of record on the enclosed sheet.

As the USPTO has waived the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and patent publication for applications filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. references are not enclosed, as the present application is filed after June 30, 2003. Copies of the cited foreign patent documents and/or non-patent literature are enclosed.

A concise explanation of the relevance of these items is that these references were discovered during any

Docket No. 0528-1167 Appln. No. 10/565,442

searches they or their client had made, or that they were considered in the preparation of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

YOUNG & THOMPSON

Robert J. Patch, Reg. No. 17,355

745 South 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Arlington, VA 22202

Telephone (703) 521-2297

Telefax (703) 685-0573

(703) 979-4709

RJP/lk

IN AN APPLICATION					0528-1167			10/565,442			
					Applicant: Laurence HERMITTE et al.						
1 2 2006	2 2006 (Use several sheets if necessary)				Filing Date:  January 20, 2006			Group Art Unit:			
PAGEMARY		U	I.S. PATE	NT	DOCUMENTS			· · · · · ·			
Examiner Initial	Document Number	Date		Name		Class	3 3	Subclass	Filing (if appro		
	5,344,452	09/06/1994 L		LEN	MPERLE	*	+		(п аррго	priate	
	5,451,406	09/19/1995 L		LAWIN et al.			$\top$				
	5,792,478			LA	VIN et al.		$\top$				
	2002/151466	10/17/2002		ΗŪ	BBARD et al.		$\neg$				
	2002/025340	02/28/2002		DYER						-	
	4,582,640	04/15/1986		SMESTAD et al.							
	5,137,875	08/11/1992		TSUNENAGA et al.							
	4,851,521	07/25/1989		DELLE VALLE et al.			T				
	4,963,666			MALSON			1				
	5,827,937	10/2	7/1998	BEI	NGT						
									*****		
									-		
					***	l					
		F	OREIGN PA	ATE	NT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initial	Document Number	Date		Country	Cla	ass	Subclass	Trans	slation		
								Yes No			
	EP 1 091 775		04/18/2001		EUROPE						
	EP 0 850 074		07/01/1998		EUROPE					<u> </u>	
	WO 00/01428		01/13/2000		INTERNATIONAL				<del> </del>	<del> </del>	
	WO 97/07833		03/06/1997		INTERNATIONAL				1	<del>                                     </del>	
			03/00/199	<u> </u>	INTERNATIONAL				-		
			ļ								
		<del></del>						1			
			,						-	-	
	OTHER ROOM	4ENITO	(1					<u> </u>	1	<u> </u>	
	OTHER DOCUM	MENIS	(including	Aut	hor, Title, Date, Pertine	ent Pages	, Et	c.)			
						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-				
·						100					
-								·			
								·			
								····			
				Τ.							
EXAMIN	EK:			0	ATE CONSIDERED						

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to the applicant.

\* Abstract provided for the Examiner's convenience